GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Service – I&CAD Dept. – Allegations of irregularities in drawing Mobilization and equipment advances under EPC Packages in Karimnagar Dist. – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri K. Srinath, EE now SE(Retd.) – Inquiry Conducted – Finalisation of disciplinary proceedings - Imposition of a penalty of 3% cut in pension permanently - Orders – Issued.

IRRIGATION & C.A.D. (Ser.VII.(V&E)A.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 716

Dated: 23-07-2013 Read the following:

- Ref: 1. From the Director General (Vig. & Enft.) & E.O. Prl. Secy. to Govt. G.A.D. Report No. 94(1313/V&E/E1/KMNR/08), dt. 06-10-20-10.
 - 2. G.O. Rt. Nos. 327,I&CAD(Ser.VII(V&E)A1) Dept. dt. 11-4-2011.
 - 3. From Sri K. Srinath, EE WSD Dt. 15-06-2011.
 - 4. G.O. Rt. No. 1251, I&CAD(SerVII.(V&E-1) Dept. dt. 14-12-2011
 - 5. From Sri Lingraj Panigrahi, IAS, COI D.O Lr. No. 369/COI-LP/2011, Dt.31-03-2012.
 - 6. Govt. Memo No. 29549/Ser.VII.(V&E)A.1/2010-5,dt.4-06-2012.
 - 7. From Sri K. Srinath, SE(Retd.) dated acknowledgement, dt. 27-6-2012.
 - 8. Govt. Memo No.29549/Ser.VII.(V&E)A.1/2010-8,dt.4-01-2012.
 - 9. Representation of Sri K. Srinath, SE(Retd.) dt. 25-4-2013
 - 10. Govt. Lr.No. 29549/Ser.VII.(V&E)A.1/2010-13, dt.12-06-2013.
 - 11. From the Secretary, APPSC Lr. No. 1413/RT/1/2013, dated 03-07-2013.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that certain irregularities were took place in drawing Mobilization and equipment advances – under EPC Packages in Karimnagar Dist. with a recommendation to initiate suitable departmental action against the officers responsible.

- 2. After examining the matter, it has been decided to initiate departmental action against all the officers responsible. Accordingly in the reference 2^{nd} read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against Sri K. Srinath, EE by way of issuing articles of charge along with other officers.
- 3. In the reference 3rd read above, Sri K. Srinath, EE has submitted his WSD, denying the charges framed against him. After examining the WSDs of all the charged officers, it has been decided to place the matter before the Commissionerate of Inquires for conducting a detailed inquiry into the charges framed against them as their WSDs are not convincing. Accordingly, in the reference 4th read above, Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries, General Administration(COI) Department has been appointed as Inquiring Authority.
- 4. In the reference 5th read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted his inquiry report stating that the charge framed against Sri K. Srinath, EE now SE(Rtd) is held as not proved. After examination of the inquiry report, it has been decided to deviate with the findings of the IA on the following reasons:-

Recording of 2nd installment of mobilization advance which is to be made after completion of investigation, survey and

designs was done on 26.5.2008. This implies that the above components have been completed and certified by the Executive Engineer. But as seen from several letters written by the agency as well as the Executive Engineer the drawings and designs continued to be submitted even after release of advance. This shows that 2nd installment of mobilization advance could have been paid contrary to clause 49.1 of agreement.

- In the reference 7th read above, a copy of the inquiry report together with the above disagreement factors have been communicated to Sri K. Srinath, EE now SE(Retd.) with a direction to submit his explanations, if any, on the disagreement factors of the Govt. with the findings of the Inquiring Authority.
- Since Sri K. Srinath, SE(Retd.) has not submitted his explanation and accordingly it has been constituted that the individual has no explanations to submit on the disagreement factors with the findings of the Inquiring Authority. Therefore it has been provisionally decided to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension permanently against him. In the reference 8th read above, a show cause notice inidicating the above provisional decision of the Govt. has been issued to Sri K. Srinath, SE(Reetd.) with a direction to submit his representation, if any, thereon.
- In the reference 9th read above, Sri K. Srinath, SE (Retd.) has 8. submitted his representation with a request to drop further action against him. After examination of the representation of Sri K. Srinath, SE (Retd.), it has been decided to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension permanently against him as his representation has not merit for consideration.
- In the reference 10th read above, the Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad 9. has been requested to place the above proposal of the Government before the Commission and communicate the concurrence of the Commission thereon.
- In the reference 11th read above(copy enclosed), the Secretary, 10. APPSC has communicated the concurrence of the Commission.
- After careful examination of the entire matter, it has been decided to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension permanently against Sri K. Srinath, SE(Retd.). Accordingly Government hereby order to impose a penalty of 3% cut in pension permanently on Sri K. Srinath, SE (Retd.), for irregularities committed in drawing Mobilization and equipment advances - under EPC Packages in Karimnagar Dist.
- 12. The I&CAD(Ser.II) Department / the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I&CAD Department, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ADITYA NATH DAS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

Sri K. Srinath, EE now Superintending Engineer(Retd.) through the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Department, Hyderabad. The I &CAD(Ser.II) Department The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Department, Hyderabad.

Copy to:
The Accountant General, AP, Hyderabad
The Secretary to VC, APVC The General Administration(V&E) Department The Secretary to APPSC, Hyderabad. SC/SF

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SECTION OFFICER